

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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The County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation’s (Department) South Coast Botanic Garden (Garden) recently received funding to enhance its beautiful facility. Through the generous donation of plants from Mr. Roger Lin and the grant award from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust (Trust), the Garden can continue to provide visitors with more environmentally rich and diverse plants.

Various specimen succulents, valued at more than \$10,000, are being donated by Mr. Lin. They will be planted in various locations throughout the Garden including the Water Wise, Old Desert, and Agave Appreciation Gardens. Plants will also be placed at the main entrance and at the creek overlook.

The grant award from the Trust is \$6,200. The Trust provides funds for the creation, development, preservation, and maintenance of gardens accessible to the public for educational purposes. The grant will fund a medium scale garden retreat located along the main road towards the back of the Garden and will be named the “*Rincon Garden*”. The goal is to provide visitors with an example of an aesthetically pleasing garden and will also be used for educational purposes. The “*Rincon Garden*” will feature mostly drought tolerant, sun and shade loving California native plants and cultivars, ecologically suited for Southern California, as well as recycled and sustainable harvested hardscape material. Additionally, the “*Rincon Garden*” will include a small trellis meeting area to provide shade for visitors.

I, **THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Accept the donation of plants from Mr. Lin valued at more than \$10,000.
- 2. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County, to accept the grant funds, in the amount of \$6,200 from the Trust, to conduct all negotiations, to execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, the grant agreement and amendments, and to process payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

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